

Amendments to the Claims:

Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A device ~~Device~~ for the simultaneous and qualitative or quantitative determination of a plurality of analytes in a liquid sample, the device comprising a membrane-~~(2)~~ with

an application zone-~~(5)~~ for the application of the liquid sample,

at least one group of at least two indicator zones, which are able to interact with the ~~analyte(s)~~ analytes and

at least one absorption region-~~(3)~~ which takes up the liquid after having passed the indicator zones

wherein the indicator zones are located between the application zone-~~(5)~~ and the absorption region-~~(3)~~, ~~characterized in that~~ and

the flow directions from the application zone-~~(5)~~ through the respective indicator zones of a group towards an absorption region-~~(3)~~ (flow tracks) are substantially parallel and that at least two different flow tracks are present.

2. (Currently Amended) The device ~~Apparatus~~ according to claim 1, wherein the indicator zones are so arranged that the test liquids for any one flow track flow through not more than one indicator zone.

3. (Currently Amended) The device ~~Device~~ according to claim 1, wherein the indicator zones are arranged in a diagonal V-, W-, M-, N-shaped or linear row.

4. (Currently Amended) The device ~~Device~~ according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~, wherein the indicator zones comprise antibodies or antibody fragments or lectines, antigens or antigen epitopes and/or cells or cell fragments.

5. (Currently Amended) ~~The device~~ Device according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~, wherein the indicator zones comprise in particular anti-A, B, -HB, -D, -D, -C, -c, E, -e, -Cw and/or K-antibodies or antibody fragments.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~The device~~ Device according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 5~~, wherein all the membranes ~~(2)~~ preferably consist of polyethylene, nitrocellulose or nylon.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~The device~~ Device according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 6~~, wherein downstream of the application zone ~~(5)~~ and upstream of the indicator zones at least one sealing element ~~(4)~~ is provided on the membrane ~~(2)~~.

8. (Currently Amended) ~~The device~~ Device according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~, wherein the components of the device have been applied onto a support layer ~~(1)~~ for mechanical reinforcement.

9. (Currently Amended) ~~The device~~ Device according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 8~~, wherein the components of the device are integrated in a casing.

10. (Currently Amended) Use of the device according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 9~~ for the analysis of blood, ~~in particular for the determination of~~ blood group antigens or antigen epitopes.

11. (Currently Amended) Use of the device according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 10~~ for the analysis of blood, ~~in particular for the simultaneous determination of A-, B-, AB-, D-, C, c-, E-, e, Cw --and/or or~~ K-blood group antigens, or antigen epitopes, or mixtures thereof.

12. (Currently Amended) A method ~~Method~~ for the determination of a plurality of analytes or their derivatives in a liquid sample, the method comprising:

applying a liquid sample comprising a plurality of analytes or their derivatives ~~the application of the sample~~ onto the application zone ~~(5)~~ of ~~a~~ the membrane ~~(2)~~ of the device according to claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims 1 to 8~~, wherein this sample is present in an adequate amount ~~amounts in order~~ to induce the test liquid to flow in the direction of the absorption region ~~(3)~~ through the indicator zones and to induce the analytes or their derivatives in the ~~test liquid~~ sample to form a complex in the indicator zones.

13. (Currently Amended) A method ~~Method~~ according to claim 12, wherein the analytes are blood group antigens or antigen epitopes.

14. (Currently Amended) A method ~~Method~~ according to claim 12 ~~or 13~~, wherein the analytes ~~in particular include~~ comprise A-, B-, AB-, D-, C, c-, E-, e, Cw - ~~and/or or~~ K-blood group antigens, ~~or antigen epitopes, or mixtures thereof~~.

15. (Currently Amended) A method ~~Method~~ according to claim 12 ~~any one of claims 12 to 14~~, wherein the analytes A-, B-, AB-, D-, C, c-, E-, e, Cw - ~~and/or or~~ K-blood group antigens, ~~or antigen epitopes, or mixtures thereof~~ are detected simultaneously.

16. (Currently Amended) A method ~~Method~~ according to claim 12 ~~any one of claims 12 to 15~~, wherein the indicator particles are erythrocytes.

17. (Currently Amended) A method ~~Method~~ according to claim 12 ~~any one of claims 12 to 16~~, wherein the membrane ~~(2)~~ after the application of indicator particles is rinsed.

18. (Currently Amended) A method ~~Method~~ according to claim 17 wherein the rinsing liquor is ~~preferably~~ hypo-osmotic.

19. (Currently Amended) A method ~~Method~~ according to claim 12 ~~any one of claims 12 to 18~~, wherein the liquid sample comprises ~~is composed of~~ blood or blood components, ~~preferably of complete blood, erythrocyte concentrate or test liquid such as control blood~~.